

ever you go, the teachings of Jesus are just the same. So whether we be many or few, let us be faithful to the Lord. If you move off where there is no church, be a missionary, stick to the truth, be faithful.

#### OUR WORK IN CHICAGO

Despite the cold weather and much sickness we are pushing the work faithfully. Pray for us. There is a great deal of suffering in the city among the poor and much diphtheria and scarlet fever among the children. There is a good deal of sickness among our members, but nothing serious, yet it effects our work quite a little. We hold meeting every night. We have two who came out, to baptize yet. There are others in whose hearts the spirit of the Lord is working and for whose conversion we are praying. Sister Gibbons is still improving, but is not yet able to be out in the work. Brethren pray for the work here, and that your workers may have health and power. Not only do we need your prayers, but also your assistance, money. God has richly blessed us as a people and a nation the past year, and it does not seem that it should be necessary for your Mission Board to encounter any difficulty in securing the comparatively small sum necessary to run the work we as a church now have under way, but yet it is so. This is partly owing to lack of system in the local churches, and partly owing to the fact that our church paper is not to be found in every home. I observe in my evangelistic work, that in those homes where the church paper is a regular visitor, there is general deep interest in missionary work, and where I do not find the paper, there is a lack of interest. This may also be said to apply to the pastor as well; i. e., those who take the paper also pay the pastor. It is significant.

In this cold winter weather, it requires much fuel, and for this we must pay money. Our pocket book is getting very thin, and this month's rent is unpaid and we must have coal. We are making the means sent us, reach as far as possible. As you enjoy the bountiful blessings of the Lord, think of his missionaries and their needs. May he richly bless you all.

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#### Notes From Zed H. Copp

Thru forgetfulness we omitted to mention the death of one of Dayton's valued members—sister Susie Hutchison—which occurred some time ago. She was a daughter of that mother in-Israel, sister Mollie Protsman, and a model wife, a loving sister, a dutiful daughter and a consistent Christian.

Last Thursday I was called to Bear Creek to preach the funeral of brother Marion Johns, who died suddenly from heart failure. He went to water the horses, staid longer than usual and was found dead in the stable. He was a cheerful friend, a kind and loving husband and father, and a bright and shining Christian. He was a loving disciple, and a deacon of the church. May the

friends and relatives who seem to miss him so much be comforted by the divine promises.

Bear Creek is in splendid condition in every respect, having entered into circuit with West Alexandria and Farmersville, and secured the services of brother J. C. Mackey, of Salisbury, Pa., as pastor from April 1. Then too, brother Clarence Shock is running an evergreen Sunday school, and sister Lizzie Beeghly is presiding over a very fruitful Aid Society.

A few days ago while riding along in a street car I noticed this sign "Old Time Revival—Holy Ghost and Fire," and I thought if the fire of the Spirit should really break out in those fellows (and us) beyond control (quenching) what a wonderful transformation it would make.

Dayton had a million dollar fire Thursday morning which got beyond control, and I tell you things were terribly changed. I fear if some people should catch fire by the Spirit there wouldn't be any thing left of them but an ash heap of emptiness. If those buildings had been of brick, stone and iron the owner would not have suffered loss; so if our work is not the big "I," but of the Rock of Ages, we shall have a reward even in the day of fire.

We are now rejoicing in the fellowship of our dear brother W. A. Welty, of Louisville, who comes to us with his face shining and his heart aglow with Spiritual fire. To us Brother Welty is like a big, hot stove on a cold day—we warm up sitting by him. We all look for great things in the deepening of the work of the Spirit during his stay with us.

Brethren of Ohio, conference is coming right along, and I hope that when it comes you will be there. Begin now to arrange to come. Send in suggestions, etc.

Special thanks are due Sister Reynolds and Murr, of Bear Creek for some very much appreciated substantials.

We are still unable to do full pastoral duty. Pray for us and the work.

109 N. Western Ave.

#### From the National Capital

I am glad to be able to say that Brother Cassel has been here, and as secretary of the National Mission Board, has decided to purchase the church property referred to in my last letter, provided the necessary funds can be raised in the near future. And it seems that it ought to be an easy matter to do that. The little band here is much rejoiced at the prospect of getting into its own church home. And since this is to be the property of the general brotherhood, all will want to have a share in it. Let everyone come to the rescue at once. If every church in the brotherhood will act at once, what an easy work it will be! And how much better every one will feel to know that they have personally contributed toward getting a church home in the capital city. The little band here will do much more than its own share,

as all will see by and by when all has been completed. I hope and trust that every pastor will respond at once to Brother Cassel's official call. Unless there is a unanimous response and without delay, a wonderful opportunity will be missed. Already receiving encouraging letters from those who have pledged themselves to help financially.

Brother S. P. Fogle, of New Market, Va., writes that he will send his subscription in by return mail, if necessary, even if he has to borrow it. And Brother Fogle is the man who first subscribed \$2.00 and afterward raised it to \$20. Let every brother and sister get in earnest like that and we will soon have a marvelous report to give.

Our thanks are due brother S. A. Wine and a few members at Quicksburg, Va., for sending a box of good things for the physical man.

Cash contributions as follows since our last: S. Berkeybile, Altoona, Pa., \$1.00; P. W. Wiseman, St. Luke, Va., \$2.00; Johnstown Brethren church, \$5.00.

These are for current expenses of mission. Trusting that the Lord will open the hearts of all to respond liberally and immediately toward the church property fund.

W. M. LYON.

P. S. Several more applicants for baptism.

## The Sunday School

### LESSON 7—FEBRUARY 18, 1900

#### Jesus at Jacob's Well—John 4:5-26

*Golden Text.*—God is a spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.—John 4:24.

*Lesson Thought.*—Christ gives the living water of salvation to all who ask him.

*Time.*—About eight months after the last lesson, December A. D. 27.

*Place.*—Samaria, at Jacob's well, near Sychar.

*Persons.*—Jesus was now about 31 years old, and it was near the close of his first year's ministry. John the Baptist, preaching at Enon. Tiberius Caesar was emperor of Rome, Pontius Pilate governor of Judea. Herod Antipas, tetrarch of Galilee.

#### Home Readings

Read John 3:22-24; Isa. 55:1-7; Acts 17:22-29; Heb. 10:14-22; Rev. 22:1-7.

#### Lesson Text

5 So he cometh to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph:

6 And Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with his journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

7 There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink.

8 For his disciples were gone away into the city to buy food.

9 The Samaritan woman therefore saith unto him, How is it, that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a Samaritan woman? (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)

10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith unto thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

11 The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water?